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In the Coming Week

FOSTERING HOPE FOR DEAF FOSTER TEENS

The Board of Supervisors will consider a measure by Supervisor Greg Cox to establish the County's first deaf group home for foster teens. Abused and neglected at significantly higher rates than their hearing counterparts, deaf children who are removed from their homes often have experienced multiple barriers to communicating with caretakers. Because San Diego County currently lacks a local facility, deaf teens requiring placement in a group home must move outside of the County, and in some cases, out of State. This costly process diminishes virtually all hope of reuniting these foster children with their families.

Tuesday, June 20 at 9:00 am at the Board of Supervisors meeting, 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 310, Downtown San Diego

FOSTER TEENS CELEBRATE A MONUMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT

Supervisor Greg Cox will extend his best wishes to the 2006 graduating class of the San Pasqual Academy, the County's residential high school for foster teens. The graduation ceremony promises to be a heartwarming celebration for the young men and women who have overcome great personal and educational challenges on their road to adulthood.

Thursday, June 22 at 10:00 am in the Gymnasium of the San Pasqual Academy, 17701 San Pasqual Valley Road, Escondido.

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